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SUBJECT: REMARKS BY SENATOR EAGLETON

REF NICOSIA 3562 (NOTAL), NICOSIA 3565 (NOTAL)

1. IN HIS DEPARTURE STATEMENT DECEMBER 29, SENATOR EAGLETON
MADE SEVERAL OTHER COMMENTS OF INTERESTED NOT REPORTED IN
REFTELS.

2. ASKED WHETHER HE WOULD RAISE THE CYPRUS PROBLEM IN THE
SENATE, EAGLETON SAID: BEGIN QUOTE I WILL HAVE TALKS WITH
MY COLLEAGUES IN THE HOUSE WITH WHOM I HAVE WORKED VERY CLOSELY
IN THE PAST, WITH MR BRADEMAS, MR. SARBANES AND MR. ROSENTHAL.
I HAVE NO SPECIFIC PLAN AS FAR AS CONGRESS IS CONCERNED. I
HOPE AGAIN THE TALKS WILL GO FORWARD IN JANUARY AND THE
ENSUING WEEKS AND THAT THEY CAN AT LEAST GIVE US SOME GLIMMER
OF PROGRESS. CONGRESS SHOULD NOT TRY IN ANY WAY TO COMPROMISE
OR CONFUSE THOSE TALKS BY ANY ACTION ON ITS PART. END QUOTE.

3. ASKED TO COMMENT ON A STATEMENT BY DENKTASH DECEMBER 28
(NICOSIA 3563) THAT HE WOULD UNITE THE TURKISH OCCUPIED PART
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OF CYPRUS WITH TURKEY, EAGLETON REPLIED: BEGIN QUOTE MR

DENKTASH HAS MADE SOMEWHAT SIMILAR STATEMENTS IN THE PAST
INDICATING THERE MIGHT CONCEIVABLY BE SOME AFFILIATION BETWEEN
THE PART OF CYPRUS NOW UNDER TURKISH OCCUPATION AND THE TURKISH
MAINLAND. I THINK ONE CAN ANTICIPATE THAT PRIOR TO NEGOTIATIONS
THERE WILL BE STATEMENTS MADE BY THE INTERESTED PARTIES SOMEWHAT
AS IF TO SET THE BACKGROUND FOR THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS ITSELF.
I DO NOT THINK THAT EVERY STATEMENT HAS AT ALL TIMES TO BE
TAKEN AT FULL FACE VALUE. SOMETIMES THEY ARE MADE AS PART
OF A NEGOTIATING POSTURE AND I THINK THE BEST EFFORTS WILL
COME DURING THE TALKS THEMSELVES RATHER THAN IN PREPARATORY
STATEMENTS. I AM NOT OBVIOUSLY HAPPY WITH MR DENKTASH'S
STATEMENT BUT I DO NOT THINK IT WOULD FORECLOSE MEANINGFUL
NEGOTIATIONS IN JANUARY. END QUOTE.
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